



THE ATLANTIS ANGLE

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BLACK SEA BASS REGS CAUSE A REBELLION!

With all the things we as Recreational anglers have put up with in the past in regard to REGULATIONS, CATCH ESTIMATES, POACHING, LIVE FISH SALES, (I COULD GO ON AND ON) **NOTHING HAS BEEN MORE UNWARRANTED AND MORE OF A SLAP IN THE FACE THAN THE RECENT CATCH LIMIT REDUCTIONS PUT ON NY FISHERMAN FOR BLACK SEA BASS!** We have watched as governing agency's disregarded our for hire and recreational fleet when deciding fluke allocations in the Eighties, watched as the fisheries managers couldn't get a grip on blackfish pot fishing fueling an illegal market basically wiping out the Long island Sound of blackfish, and stood by helplessly when the Striped bass size limits jumped up to 36 at one point , all in the name of conservation/preservation. It was said that those regulations would lead to better stocks, be good for us and lead to better fishing & long-term regulations in the future, yet here we are still getting screwed when we finally have a success story with a stock that is credited as being 240 percent more than rebuilt. The forced reductions at this time is too much for the NY for -hires and anglers to accept. On Sunday April 8th NY area

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fisherman united with the for-hire fleet welcomed Congressman Lee Zeldin to an all-out Rally and Press Conference announcing NY as going into a non-compliance stand and telling the ruling bodies to take a walk *if any reductions* are forced on us! If ever there was a time to do something drastic, this is it. The Trump administration whose Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross did nothing to the NJ after they went out of compliance with Fluke last year isn't likely to act out against us in this matter. Everyone can see the inequities in the system caused by the Commission heavy with southern representation voting for stock allocation formula that hurts the northern states only! How can NJ and southern states get liberalized while NY and CT and RI all get cut with the stocks 240 percent overbuilt? WHO ARE THEY KIDDING & THE NORTHERN STATES HAVE MORE FISH ACCESIBLE TO US AS WELL! This is the only time when I have felt non-compliance is warranted and won't destroy our future fishing regulations, *but there is always that chance it could as the entire coast will ultimately have to come under federal regulations under this management plan if one state goes out of compliance.* The squeaky wheel gets the grease and as of now our wheels have remained too quiet. The Atlantis Anglers stand for Conservation of our marine resources, that being said conservation needs to be used smartly and the benefits of our efforts need to be given back to our areas recreational anglers, that is why the word exists in our Mission statement, not to preserve a stock and stop fishing it, like P.E.T.A. would like us to do! Rather than see poaching I want the State D.E.C. along with Congressional support to do what they are doing now & come up with something we can live with and not harm the stock, and tell the A.S.M.F.C. and G.A.R.F.O. where to go, its time! This is a rant that should help explain to our members the sentiment in the fishing community and also from your clubs President. Please support our Political Representation in this stance to right a wrong for all of us!

Pictures are from a trip on Sept 25 inshore at rockaway Reef that was supposed to be just porgies but became a good seabass trip as there were so many still inshore that late in the summer not deeper.



NEXT UP IN OUR SEMINAR ***SERIES!***

Don't miss the April 24th meeting as we welcome Capt. Fred Mignone of Castaway Charters LI. out of Orient Point. He will be conducting a seminar covering Striped Bass Fishing on the North Fork. I have spoken with him and he's excited to be doing this seminar for us and it comes on the heels of Striped Bass Season opening so come down and sharpen up on your techniques to improve on this seasons success as many of these techniques are universal for any area you fish.



CLUB HAPPENINGS

Awards dinner: Thursday Night April 15th. Members, Associates and Spouses are cordially invited

Takes place at La Novella of East Meadow, beginning at 7pm. There will be many courses and choice of 9 different entrees. Members cost is \$20 per person, this price includes Soda, coffee, cappuccino, tea, and gratuity for wait staff. **Alcoholic beverages are available for purchase at the bar, not included in cost!**

(I sent a previous email with a flier providing more details)

Inter-club UPDATE:

I have been in discussions with Freeport Tuna club and there is real interest in doing Fluke Shootout against each other in July. It will take place either July 14th, or July 28th. I am awaiting a call from the board member over at tuna club to go over the rules and set up more details to follow at a later date. I will be contacting Squaw Island fishing club as well to compete against them this summer also. Thankfully there is lots of time to do this, so we can work through the schedules and rules and plan these events. If all goes well I hope to be able to announce definitively soon.

“Osprey” Fluke Charter (Port Jefferson) JUNE 2nd 75 dollars a person limited to 30 members and Associates.

Fishing Report:

FROM SUE BERTOLINE & TOM McKELVEY

3/21/18

They chartered the "IMAGOS" for Kite fishing using blue runners, & cigar minnows in 3'-5' seas & NW winds at 20-25kts 11mi s/e of Key Biscayne. In 180 ft. of water

They caught their first Atlantic Sailfish, Sues 90lbs.,

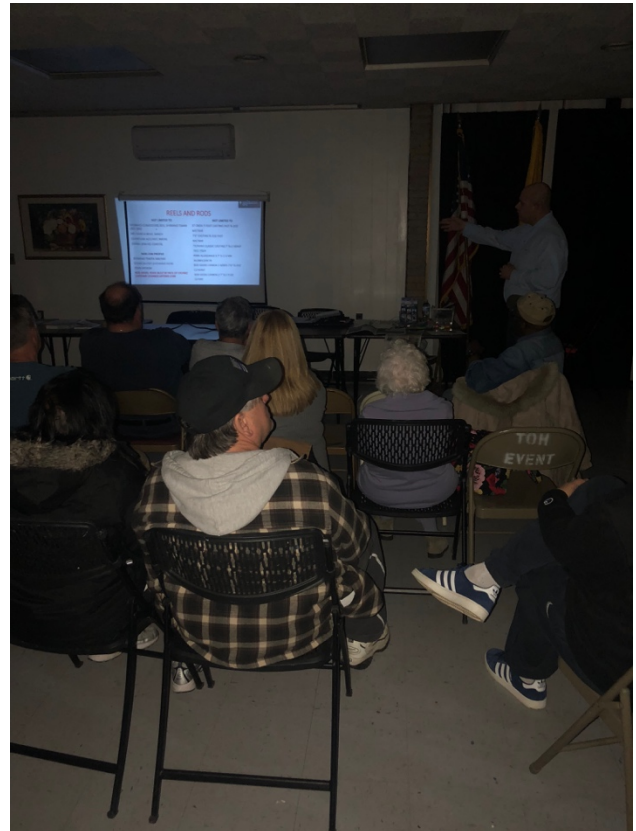
Tom had a 40lb. bull dolphin and they had big barracuda 3-4 ft., and Bonita from 15-20lbs.

They also fought kingfish & a big bull shark but they broke off unfortunately.



Capt. Marco Does A NICE JOB AT OUR SECOND SEMINAR SERIES EVENING

On the very night that the DEC moved its Public hearing on the NY options for 2018 seabass regulations, when pressure was placed on him by the Montauk Boats, Capt. Marco DeStefano kept his word and honored his commitment to put on a fine seminar for a packed house of members and guests in attendance on March 27th. He was a bit more technical and less general than the last guest speaker we had which pleased many of our more experienced anglers. He was very helpful when questions were asked, and he spent a good amount of time with members during our break. A good time was had by all and he ended his evening by offering up a 150 dollar charter discount (full day) for any member who wants to charter him this year, he has also offered up a discount code of "MISTY10" for those Gulpy jigs made by Joe Baggs. Joebaggsourdoors.com. That code will get us a ten percent off of our purchase of the gulpy jig heads. Marco felt getting us those discounts were the least he could do for us for letting him come down and speak to the club, class guy!



REMINDERS:

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WEIGH SLIPS ARE DUE BY 830 M AT OUR MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS. ALL MONTHLY DERBIES END AT 830PM DURING OUR MEETINGS SO SLIPS NEED TO BE IN MIKES HANDS BY THEN. IF YOU HAVE A WEIGH SLIP FOR US AND CAN'T MAKE THE MEETING, PLEASE MAIL TO MIKE LOWENSTEIN AT 81 NEPTUNE BLVD. LONG BEACH NY 11561.

OUR CLUB WEBSITE IS NOW UPDATED, AND I WILL CONTINUE TO UPDATE PERIODICALLY. THERE ARE THINGS THAT SOMETIMES COME UP BOTH WITH REGULATIONS AND WITH REPORTS I GET FROM THE MEMBERS. PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR BOTH REPORTS, NEW LINKS, ARTICLES AND ALSO MEETING INFORMATION. OUR WEBSITE IS NOT ONLY TO ATTRACT NEW MEMBERS BUT ALSO SERVES AS A TOOL FOR OUR MEMBERS TO KEEP UPDATED ON THINGS INCLUDING WEEKEND EVENTS.

Please email photos and reports to me at wannafish@optonline.net

To have them included here in the club newsletter and on the website!



Don't forget to visit <http://www.atlantisanglers.com/>

****Our complete calendar is now online with all the derby dates, contest dates and events we have planned for this year. Please check it out on the events page for easy access to what's on tap!**

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